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Halcyon Days—With Direct Legislation.

How did we ever get along without direct legislation? The octopi must ask that question every day; the California octopi at any rate. In the East the predatory rich, the soulless corporations, and enemies of the plain people generally have not yet been emancipated; direct legislation has not yet struck off their shackles; they can only look westward and cheer up.

But in California and the other direct legislation states the halcyon days have come for the octopi. The sun shines bright in their old California home, the birds make music all the day, the coin crop is ripe, and the graft is in full bloom in their California home so far away. All the things that couldn't be done under the old system without causing a riot are now done easily—not by violence, but by letting the plain people do them. All you have to do is to submit forty or fifty amendments to the people and insert a joker or two somewhere about half way down the line. The honest voter's eye grows weary after he has perused the first half-dozen amendments, and if they seem all right he takes the rest on trust. In this way so much can be done that we wonder at the moderation of the robber barons and the criminal rich. No bribing of legislators any more, no anxious days at the State capital, no scrutinizing of the expense accounts of lobbyists who have been giving dinners to Senators who never existed; let the honest voter do it all.

The honest voter in California is just discovering, to his amazement, that in the mass of amendments that was called upon to deal with at the last election was one which vacated all the ordinances of San Francisco and other cities fixing rates for any kind of public service. This abolishes all the regulations restraining the appetite of the taxicab companies and other public malefactors. Henceforth they can charge what they please. If they had asked a legislature to give them any such grant of revenues there would have been a revolution at the very least; but the plain people have given it to them and are stopped from complaining. The honest voter cannot even say he did not mean to do it, because there is in the best of us a human reluctance about looking foolish.

What the honest voter thought he was doing was to give the Railroad Commission the right to fix rates, but the artful language of the amendment deceived him. He also passed an amendment which he was told would "simplify city government." It did. He now finds that what the amendment really effected was to prevent the people of San Francisco from obtaining an amendment of their city charter next year by initiative petition. City government has been simplified to the extent that the honest vo-

ter will not be permitted to complicate it by any reforms. The opponents of reform would never have had the heaven-defying audacity to ask any legislature to pass such a law, but the honest voter, reading amendments until atrophy of the optic nerve set in, slipped easily over the joker.

Let us, by all means, have direct legislation in the East as soon as possible. Under our effete system the horny-handed toiler, the honest voter, the humble proletarian, and the man in the street still remain possessors in fee simple of their clothes and their watches. Let us introduce direct legislation and they will go home in a barrel.—New York Times.

Try This for Neuralgia.

Thousands of people keep on suffering with neuralgia because they do not know what to do for it. Neuralgia is a pain in the nerves. What you want to do is to soothe the nerve itself. Apply Sloan's Liniment to the surface over the painful part—do not rub it in. Sloan's Liniment penetrates very quickly to the sore, irritated nerve and allays the inflammation. Get a bottle of Sloan's Liniment for 25 cents of any druggist and have it in the house—against colds, sore and swollen joints, lumbago, sciatica and like ailments. Your money back if not satisfied, but it does give almost instant relief.—Adv

The Hen that Lays the Golden Egg.

According to reliable statistics, the value of poultry products last year in the United States exceeded that of any other farm commodity. Every farmer and his wife and children are interested in poultry culture—and most people in the small towns, and not a few in the cities find both pleasure and profit in raising chickens.

But in poultry culture, as in everything else, people who go about it in the right way have the best success. If you want to know how to increase your income from poultry, take the best poultry paper published—The Poultry Item. We will send it to you, with three monthly magazines and our own paper in a club—all one year for only \$1.25. It is one of the best club offers we have ever been able to make to our readers, and every subscriber is entitled to it—both new and old.

Read our advertisement on another page, and see the big list of standard popular publications included in this remarkable club offer—and then send us your order at once.

Virginia Quinine.

Our secret process is often about half an inch thick and put a layer in a baking dish, sprinkling freely with sugar and adding small pieces of butter, a little salt and sugar. Add another layer of potatoes on above until the dish is nearly full. Cover the top with a thick sprinkling of flour and in such manner as you think it needs. Cover all with boiling water and bake in a medium oven, basting occasionally with the water in the dish. With this the top should be nicely browned and the soup of a creamy consistency.

Palestine.

Newton Wilcox and family visited with Henry Judy's last Sunday.

Miss Harriet Oremley's room of the school gave very good exercises last Thursday afternoon. The High School also held a session of their Literary Society, which was very good. Quite a number of visitors were present, but not many of the parents. One member of the Board, at least, was present.

Both Sunday schools gave a fine treat to the attendant pupils last Sunday.

O. V. Metcarr and wife, who live a mile southwest of Palestine, have a new boy who came last Wednesday.

T. J. Wilson and wife entertained Wm. Siniard and family, and V. D. Ware and wife on Christmas.

Mack Harp has come home to spend the holidays.

The Universalist folks will give a supper at the Junior Hall, Friday evening, Jan. 1, 1915.

Mrs. Zoe Deuling is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wernick.

Dec. 28. FROM PALESTINE.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

War Costs.

A clear "interpretation of war costs" was recently published in the New York Times:

"Those who are looking for prosperity as the result of the war might think of how much greater prosperity would be but for the war. It is estimated that the war is costing daily about \$50,000,000, which is represented in an economic sense by nothing, not even the glory of the victors. But the expenditure of \$50,000,000 in that manner means loss of the ability to employ 10,000 men. Under modern conditions it requires an investment of between \$4,000 and \$5,000 to keep a man at work. Taking the larger amount, as tending toward conservatism in the estimate, it follows that each day's work expenditure is a sentence to idleness of ten regiments. And the sentence will run until the wastes of war are made good by work and economy hereafter."

Many Disorders Come From The Liver.

Are You Just an Oldie with Yourself?

Do You Regulate Living?

Are you sometimes at odds with yourself and with the world? Do you wonder what ails you? True you may be eating regularly and sleeping well. Yet something is the matter! Constipation, headache, nervousness and bilious spells indicate a sluggish liver. The tried remedy is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Only 25c at your druggist. Bucklen's Arnica Salve for skin eruptions.

—Adv

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Gettysburg.

A white Christmas was presented this year. This is said to be a good omen and I think it is. Good omens are present in more places than we can think of.

Our most righteous and worthy people experienced great difficulty in walking uprightly for nearly all of last week. Ice was abundant and sleighing very good and was utilized in large measure, but the prospect now is that that pleasure will cease unless a change in the temperature occurs and another fall of snow comes upon us.

Mrs. J. A. Hoffman of Bowling Green, concluding her visit here, returned home last Saturday.

Our Sunday schools rendered suitable programs Thursday and Friday nights of last week and received their usual treats of candy, etc., and all went off in a happy mood.

On last Friday we had a veritable Santa Claus dressed in his mythical robes and going through our village distributing cheer and good wishes to everybody and greatly to the delight of our children, who are always pleased with Santa's gifts and look forward to his coming with anxious hearts.

Well, here we are close to the time when we part from the experiences of another year and may it be our fortune to look over the past without regret and without any reflection upon our conduct through the past year and may we here resolve to make the coming year better than any of the past, and here accept the wishes of the writer that all my readers may be stranded on the golden shore of success for years to come.

Dec. 28. XOB

Children's Coughs—Children's Colds Both are Serious.

When one of your little ones show symptoms of an approaching cold, give it Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey at once. It acts quickly, and prevents the cold growing worse. Very healing—soothes the lungs, loosens the mucous, strengthens the system. It's guaranteed. Only 25c at your druggist. Buy a bottle today. Bucklen's Arnica Salve for sores.

—Adv

Twentyone Years.

Dr. Kutchin, the well known Specialist, has been visiting this county every four weeks for over twentyone years. He has never missed a visit, but comes as regularly as the sun. He has never failed to keep his word with every patient he has treated.

His practice is most successful. He is endorsed by those who know him, and the public pronounce him one of the leading specialists. His medicines have cured or helped hundreds of cases during the past year in Ohio. It is a good record.

You have an opportunity now of being examined by one of the most successful specialists. Dr. Kutchin's next visit to Greenville, will be on Thursday, Jan. 7, at the Hotel James.

—Adv

READ OUR...

CLUBBING OFFERS.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

PROBATE COURT.

First and final account filed in estate of M. M. Smith.

Last will of Mary J. Holloway was admitted to probate and record. A. Calderwood was appointed executor under said will; bond \$1500.

Inventory and appraisal filed in estate of Daniel Weitbrecht.

Order of appraisal issued to G. H. Monks, guardian, in the case of G. H. Monks versus his wards.

Order of appraisal issued to John A. Kelch, guardian, in case of John A. Kelch versus his wards.

Last will of Clarissa Bryson was admitted to probate and record.

First and final account filed in guardianship of Ruth and Isabelle Huddle.

Inventory and appraisal filed in estate of Thomas C. Dowler.

Answer and cross-petition filed in estate of E. E. Calderwood.

Inventory and appraisal filed in estate of Jacob Diningier. Petition filed for citation in Ira Rudolph guardianship matter.

Second account filed in guardianship of Theresia Hemmelgarn and others.

H. C. Coppess was appointed administrator of estate of Florence Coppess; bond \$1000.

Application filed to terminate guardianship of Dorsey V. Mann.

Last will of A. J. Pearson was admitted to probate and record. Nancy A. Pearson was appointed executrix under said will; bond \$1000.

Order of appraisal of real estate returned and order of private sale issued in guardianship of Ilah Houpt and others.

Final account filed in guardianship of Ananias Baker and resignation filed.

Order of registration issued in sale of real estate to pay debts and order of sale issued in estate of Jacob Laughman.

Aaron Wright was appointed guardian of Ananias Baker; bond \$7000.

Last will of David Dershem was filed for probate and record. Hearing January 20 and order of notice issued.

Decree of registration of title entered in sale of real estate in estate of Callie Birt, and order of private sale issued.

Order of private sale of real estate returned in guardianship of Ilah Houpt.

Order of private sale of personal property returned in estate of Henrietta Bachman.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Clendon A. Erisman, 23, farmer, Eldorado, and Florence I. Kesler, 20, New Madison.

Isaac N. Bright, 35, farmer, Montgomery Co., O., and Cora Hull, 40, Pittsburg.

Joseph J. Cass, 28, porter, Union City, and May O. Hodge, 24, Union City.

Charles E. Plack, 42, minister, Rossburg, and Ivy V. Hiestan, 32, teacher, Rossburg.

Edward James, 27, farmer, Jackson township, and Bertha M. Woods, 18, Jackson township.

Henry F. Luebking, 21, tinner, New Weston, and Pearl D. McKibben, 19, Wabash township.

Thomas A. Thornburg, 40, restaurant clerk, Bluffton, Ind., and Bird A. Wilson, 38, Union City.

Klor H. Roth, 24, farmer, Brown township, and Sylvia B. Conrad, 20, Brown township.

Joseph Toohey, 22, farmer, Harrison township, and Hazel Hill, 20, New Madison.

Wm. F. Jones, 44, minister, Paulding, O., and Grace Bass, 26, German township.

Leroy Orndorff, 20, farmer, Wayne township, and Bonnie M. Black, 19, Stelvideo.

John H. Prescott, 26, farmer, Randolph Co., Ind., and Opal E. Young, 19, Mississinawa township.

John F. Dohme, 25, farmer, Greenville township, and Grace O. Guthrie, 21, Greenville township.

Granville J. Thomas, 23, farmer, Woodington, and Olive R. Hufford, 19, Jackson township.

Waldo E. Winterowd, 21, farmer, Ansonia, and Bertha I. Thomas, 19, Woodington.

Roy P. Farmer, 21, operator, Stelvideo, and Mabel E. Wright, 17, Stelvideo.

George W. Devault, 28, gas construction, Ithaca, N. Y., and Mary B. Curtner, 28, Pittsburg.

John W. Aikman, 24, attorney, Dayton, O., and Erma I. Croft, 21, Bradford.

Charles H. Bristley, 20, farmer, Arcanum, and Bertha E. Hoffacker, 19, Arcanum.

Wm. C. H. Ashbach, 20, huckster, Shelby Co., O., and Zola E. Curtis, 17, Yorkshire.

Fern T. Brant, 21, farmer, New Madison, and Pearl Drill, 17, New Madison.

Alfred H. Strait, 27, laborer, New Weston, and Laura J. Fast, 31, New Weston.

Arthur Wampler, 27, farmer, Ansonia, and Minnie M. Drew, 23, Ansonia.

Lawrence W. Fasick, 23, farmer, Pittsburg, and Clara Oda, 18, Pittsburg.

Verlie E. Grise, 23, farmer, Ansonia, and Maggie F. Buxton, 18, Dawn.

Chalmer Harter, 21, farmer, German township, and Hattie Fitzwater, 23, German township.

Samuel A. Stover, 31, teacher, Versailles, and Cecil M. McClanahan, 24, Versailles.

Harry V. Shepherd, 19, laborer, Greenville, and Grace M. B. Lines, 17, Greenville.

Henry C. Grewe, 27, farmer, Richland township, and Della P. Marker, 24, Stelvideo.

COMMON PLEAS COURT.

NEW CASES.

20469—J. P. Reis versus Village of Arcanum; on error.

20470—Alice Brown versus Elmer Brown; for divorce.

20471—Onda Kiser versus Cleo

Kiser; for divorce and alimony. 20472—George W. Mannix, Jr. versus Charles A. Bechtol and others; for partition of real estate.

REGISTER OF DEEDS.

Harry I. Dunn to V. S. Marker, lot 1182 in Greenville, \$500. Flora E. Darland to Henry Gauby, part lot 31 in New Madison, \$975.

Sylvan Appenzeller to D. A. House, quit claim to 1 acre in Greenville township, \$1.

V. H. Ivester to Calvin R. Phillips, lot 290 in Arcanum, \$150. Same to J. H. Beasecker, lot 299 in Arcanum, \$125.

Roy Ammon to Fred Idel, undivided one-half of 58 acres in Twin township, \$567.

John P. Reis to Chas. Bowers, a small tract in Arcanum, \$1.

Ephraim Teaford to Wm. Harter and others, 40 acres in German township, \$4000.

Jesse L. Peters to Alvin C. Taylor, 40 acres in Allen township, \$4100.

Ira W. Nill, Trustee, to Geo. Nill, quit claim to 28 acres in Adams township, \$1.

Emma D. and Wm. Kircher to Jesse L. Peters, 80 acres in Mississinawa township, \$8000.

M. P. Simison and others to Norman Teaford, lots 43 and 44 and outlots 1 and 2 in Palestine, \$2200.

M. P. Simison, guardian, to Norman Teaford, undivided one-third of lots 43 and 44 and outlots 1 and 2 in Palestine, \$500.

Amanda Flanagan to Dennis Flanagan, one-half interest in 43 acres in Mississinawa township, \$1900.

David Stauffer to John H. Miller, 39 acres in Monroe township, \$3400.

Board of Education of Palestine to J. E. Loudenslager, 1 acre in German township, \$230.

Frank Cox to George W. Mannix, Jr., undivided interest in 37 and 53-100 acres in Greenville township, \$510.

Norman Teaford to A. B. Koons, lot 2 in Palestine, \$600.

A. B. Koons to H. G. Monks, part outlot 2 in Palestine, \$200.

Stop the Child's Colds, They Often Result Seriously.

Colds, croup and whooping cough are children's ailments which need immediate attention. The after-effects are often most serious. Don't take the risk—you don't have to. Dr. King's New Discovery checks the cold soothes the cough, allays the inflammation, kills the germs and allows nature to do her healing work. 50c at your druggist. Buy a bottle today.

—Adv

There is a good deal of vacuum cleaning done in France by large machines that go through the streets and clean houses and apartments by hose reaching to any floor. The individual vacuum cleaner is little known.

There is today in Paris a concierge who is reaping a small harvest of tips from visitors to an attic which a quarter of a century ago was tenanted by the present king or Serbia in the less palmy days of his pasteurization. An officer of the United States navy has found that the power of a high speed vessel's propeller is increased about 10 per cent by placing ribs on the faces of its blades to decrease the partial vacuum that always occurs there.